



CHRIST

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The Lord's Day, Sunday, June 28, 2026

"...taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ..."



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— ORDER OF WORSHIP —

Thank you for joining us this morning! At Christ the King, our worship is a divine-human dialogue, in accordance with Scriptural example and precedent, alternatively hearing God's Word and responding in prayer, song, or meditation. The boxes throughout the bulletin were written to aid each worshipper in thoughtful and meaningful participation in this dialogue. Please prepare your heart by reading through the bulletin, praying for those leading and worshipping around you, and silencing all communication devices.

** Indicates congregational standing*

WE APPROACH THE LORD

Call to Worship

Jesus proclaimed that the kingdom of heaven is at hand and is now here, but who is the king of glory? As we enter into worship, God calls us to seek his face with clean hands and pure hearts. We anticipate the King bringing about his kingdom in our hearts and in the world as he defeats all his and our enemies.

Psalm 24 ^{ESV}

- ¹ *The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof,
the world and those who dwell therein,*
- ² *for he has founded it upon the seas
and established it upon the rivers.*
- ³ *Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord?
And who shall stand in his holy place?*
- ⁴ *He who has clean hands and a pure heart,
who does not lift up his soul to what is false
and does not swear deceitfully.*
- ⁵ *He will receive blessing from the Lord
and righteousness from the God of his salvation.*
- ⁶ *Such is the generation of those who seek him,
who seek the face of the God of Jacob. Selah*
- ⁷ *Lift up your heads, O gates!
And be lifted up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.*
- ⁸ *Who is this King of glory?
The Lord, strong and mighty,
the Lord, mighty in battle!*
- ⁹ *Lift up your heads, O gates!
And lift them up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.*
- ¹⁰ *Who is this King of glory?
The Lord of hosts,
he is the King of glory! Selah*

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

* Hymn of Praise

We praise this mighty King of glory through a song that recognizes the fact that we can never repay the blessings of the Lord. Even in hard providences we resolve to worship and obey him and marvel at his beauty.

“O God Beyond All Praising”

(Trinity Hymnal #660)

WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN

* Reading from the Law

Notice how Judges chapter 3 with these first three judges focuses on the enemies of God's people: Cushanrishathaim, Eglon, and the Philistines. These three enemies typify the threefold enemies of the devil, the flesh, and the world. Just as the Israelites of old gave in to the influences around them, we too have given in and must reject their influence and return to the true King

Judges 3 ^{ESV}

Silent Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

The movement of this song (coming from Psalm 130) begins with lament over sin and its darkness, but as it continues builds to the crescendo of the cross overcoming all of our sin and sorrow. Think on in your minds, believe in your hearts, and resolve in your actions as you confess to allow this gospel movement to shape and transform you.

“From the Depths of Woe”

(RUF Tune)

1. From the depths of woe I raise to Thee
The voice of lamentation;
Lord, turn a gracious ear to me
And hear my supplication;
If Thou iniquities dost mark,
Our secret sins and misdeeds dark,
O who shall stand before Thee?
(Who shall stand before Thee?)
O who shall stand before Thee?
(Who shall stand before Thee?)

2. To wash away the crimson stain,
Grace, grace alone availeth;
Our works, alas! Are all in vain;
In much the best life faileth;
No man can glory in Thy sight,
All must alike confess Thy might,
And live alone by mercy
(Live alone by mercy)
And live alone by mercy
(Live alone by mercy)

3. Therefore my trust is in the Lord,
And not in mine own merit;
On Him my soul shall rest, His word
Upholds my fainting spirit;
His promised mercy is my fort,
My comfort and my sweet support;

I wait for it with patience
(Wait for it with patience)
I wait for it with patience
(Wait for it with patience)

4. What though I wait the live-long night,
And til the dawn appeareth,
My heart still trusteth in His might;
It doubteth not nor feareth;
Do thus, O ye of Israels seed,
Ye of the Spirit born indeed;

And wait til God appeareth
(Wait til God appeareth)
And wait til God appeareth
(Wait til God appeareth)

5. Though great our sins and sore our woes
His grace much more aboundeth;
His helping love no limit knows,
Our upmost need it soundeth.
Our Shepherd good and true is He,
Who will at last His Israel free

From all their sin and sorrow
(All their sin and sorrow)
From all their sin and sorrow
(All their sin and sorrow)

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WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

This assurance of pardon highlights the forgiveness of the Lord toward his repentant people. Not only is it offered, but in his triumph it is accomplished.

Colossians 2:13-15 ESV

¹³ And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, ¹⁴ by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵ He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

Leader: This is the gospel.

Congregation: Hallelujah!

* Hymn of Assurance

Though we face temptation and though we fail, we can rest in the blessed thought of our Savior's leading

“He Leadeth Me”

(Trinity Hymnal #600)

Prayers of Intercession

During this time the elders will be in the back of the room, ready to take personal prayer requests from and pray with all who want this, and these will be confidential if desired. Everyone who is not receiving prayer in this way will participate in corporate prayer as the worship leader mentions a list of topics. As each item is mentioned, the congregation should respond with the words, “We offer these our prayers,” followed by a brief silent prayer from each individual.

WE HEAR INSTRUCTION FROM THE LORD

Sermon

(John Robert Biggs)

“Facing Temptation with the Comforting Providence of God”

* Matthew 4:1-11; 6:13

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

WE COMMUNE WITH OUR LORD

Communion Meditation

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. (*or universal)

Distribution of Elements

Because we believe that wine was used in the Last Supper and is thus more in accord with the fullness of symbolism intended by God in the Lord's Supper, we offer and encourage wine for those who take part in Communion. For those with conscientious convictions against the use of wine, however, we offer grape juice, which is contained in the inner circle of the communion trays. The cups containing wine are in the outer circles.

“Oh Help My Unbelief”

(RUF Tune)

*1. How sad our state by nature is!
Our sin, how deep it stains!
And Satan binds our captive minds
Fast in his slavish chains
But there's a voice of sov'reign grace,
Sounds from the sacred word:
"O, ye despairing sinners come,
And trust upon the Lord."*

*2. My soul obeys th' almighty call,
And runs to this relief
I would believe thy promise, Lord;
O help my unbelief!*

*To the dear fountain of thy blood,
Incarnate God, I fly;
Here let me wash my spotted soul,
From crimes of deepest dye.*

*3. Stretch out Thine arm, victorious King,
My reigning sins subdue;
Drive the old dragon from his seat,
With all his hellish crew.*

*A guilty, weak, and helpless worm,
On thy kind arms I fall;
Be thou my strength and righteousness,
My Jesus, and my all.*

WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD

Offering Meditation

Jesus in the sermon on the mount makes it clear that our hearts in our flesh desire the security of money and riches, but we cannot serve two masters. Part of fighting temptation in the Christian life is giving generously and with cheerful hearts to the work of the Christ through his people.

Matthew 6:19-24 ESV

¹⁹ “Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, ²⁰ but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

²² “The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, ²³ but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!

²⁴ “No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”

(Trinity Hymnal #617)

Presentation of Offerings

*** Doxology**

(Trinity Hymnal #731)

Prayer of Dedication

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

In the final song, we dwell on the trinitarian kindness of God. No matter what happens in life, the Spirit dwells within us, the Father's smiles are ours, and Jesus died to win us. How could we fret and complain?

“Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken”

(RUF Tune)

1. Jesus, I my cross have taken,
All to leave and follow Thee.
Destitute, despised, forsaken,
Thou from hence my all shall be.
Perish every fond ambition,
All I've sought or hoped or known.
Yet how rich is my condition!
God and heaven are still my own.

2. Let the world despise and leave me,
They have left my Savior, too.
Human hearts and looks deceive me;
Thou art not, like them, untrue.
O while Thou dost smile upon me,
God of wisdom, love, and might,
Foes may hate and friends disown me,
Show Thy face and all is bright.

3. Man may trouble and distress me,
Twill but drive me to Thy breast.
Life with trials hard may press me;
Heaven will bring me sweeter rest.
Oh, tis not in grief to harm me
While Thy love is left to me;
Oh, t'were not in joy to charm me,
Were that joy unmixed with Thee.

4. Go, then, earthly fame and treasure,
Come disaster, scorn and pain
In Thy service, pain is pleasure,
With Thy favor; loss is gain
I have called Thee Abba Father,
I have stayed my heart on Thee
Storms may howl, and clouds may gather;
All must work for good to me.

5. Soul, then know thy full salvation
Rise o'er sin and fear and care
Joy to find in every station,
Something still to do or bear.
Think what Spirit dwells within thee,
Think what Fathers smiles are thine,
Think that Jesus died to win thee,
Child of heaven, canst thou repine.

6. Haste thee on from grace to glory,
Armed by faith, and winged by prayer.
Heavens eternal days before thee,
Gods own hand shall guide us there.
Soon shall close thy earthly mission,
Soon shall pass thy pilgrim days,
Hope shall change to glad fruition,
Faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

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Benediction

— SERMON NOTES —

June 28, 2026

“Facing Temptation with the Comforting Providence of God”

Matthew 4:1-11; 6:13

(John Robert Biggs)

Introduction:

What is temptation, and how should we face it in light of God's truth?

I. Three Temptations

A. Flesh.

B. World.

C. Devil.

II. Two Truths

A. The Devil Tempts.

B. God Leads.

III. One Triumph

A. Christ the Son of God.

B. Union with Christ.

— FOR YOUR PERSONAL DEVOTION —

Points of Application:

Memorable Illustrations:

Evaluation:

Questions for Further Study:

VISION

Purpose (our reason for existence): to reverse the effects of rebellion against God (sin)

Mission (what we are called to do): to build the Kingdom of God, by...

- adding people (incorporation)
- building people (edification)

Core Values (our fundamental commitments):

1. *Knowing* truth from God (Scripture)
2. *Being* right with God (Justification)
3. *Living* life for God (Sanctification)

Goals (what we seek to accomplish):

1. *Worship*—People experiencing and being attracted to and trained in the enjoyment of God
2. *Fellowship*—People displaying and enjoying genuinely loving and giving relationships/Christian community
3. *Christian Education*—People being confronted with and oriented to the whole truth of God
4. *Outreach*—People being drawn to the Church and trained to draw others
5. *Mercy*—People caring about and meeting the material needs of both non-Christians and other Christians



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